

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: Frédéric Tarte, et al.  
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Examiner: Allen Flanigan  
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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

In reply to the Non-Final Office Action dated February 20, 2009, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the objections and rejections to this application and to grant allowance of this Application in view of the following remarks and amended claims.

- I. **Listing of Claims**, beginning on page 2; and
- II. **Remarks**, beginning on page 4.

Applicants note that the Transmittal to which this paper is attached includes a Certificate under 37 C.F.R § 1.8; and a fee(s) statement calculating any fee(s) presently due in connection with the filing of this paper, along with an authorization to charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.